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Subject: Request for Approval of New Construction.

To: The District Engineer, U. S. Engineer Office, Manhattan District,  
Oak Ridge, Tenn. (Attention: Director of Operations)

Through: The Area Engineer, Madison Square Area, New York, New York.

1. In compliance with District Circular Letter (Operations 46-1), dated 26 April 1946, a directive is requested for the construction of a fence around the Raist property under Linde Air Products Company Contract No. W7401 eng-14. The proposed fence, as shown on the inclosed Linde Air Products Company Drawing No. CMK-1291, is required for the following reasons:

a. All the sludge from the processing of Western Ore is stored on this property. This sludge, weighing approximately 15,000,000 lb. dry, contains 50,000 lb. of uranium. There is, in addition, iron coke containing approximately 100,000 lb. of vanadium and 18,000 lb. of uranium. With the termination of operations in this area, inspection of the property by Manhattan District representatives will probably be made only at infrequent intervals. Fencing the area and installing signs indicating that such property is owned by the United States Government and will aid in preventing trespassing and possible removal of material by unauthorized persons.

b. The material, when placed on the Raist property, contained approximately 70 percent moisture and had an average pH of 9.5. The moisture has evaporated and the top surface contains a large percentage of soda ash. Due to the alkalinity, a potential health hazard exists, particularly to children who would come into contact with the material. This could result in an embarrassing claim against the Government if some action to prevent trespassing has not been taken.

2. The proposed fence shall be 6 feet in height overall, constructed of 60" wide, 2-3/8" mesh galvanized chain link fabric on steel posts, with an additional foot made up of four strands of barbed wire on 45 degree angle arms. Steel posts are to be set 10' on centers imbedded in 30" concrete footings. As an alternate to this chain link fabric fence, the possibility of a hog wire type fence attached to wooden posts was investigated. However, material for this type of fence is difficult to obtain in this area and contracting firms would not submit proposals. The more permanent chain link type fence is deemed more suitable to meet the reasons stated in 1-b above.

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3. There is inclosed estimated cost summary sheet Form No. 18, covering the proposed construction. The proposed construction should be completed in twenty days and it is proposed that the fence will be constructed by a purchase order under Linde Air Products Company Contract No. W7401 eng-14.

For the Area Engineer:

P. R. DOWLING,  
Principal Assistant.

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Dwg CMX-1291 (in dupl)  
Cost Summary (in dupl)

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